

Abstract

The invention provides, *inter alia*, kits and methods for improved manufacture and, in particular, for improved fixed and flexible manufacture. The improvements provide templates having cavities, silhouettes, impressions, contours, and/or profiles (collectively, “cavities”) that fit and correspond to parts at each stage of parts picking and/or assembly. For example, a kit can have (and a method according to the invention can use) a first template with cavities adapted to hold parts used in a first stage of computer manufacture; a second template with cavities adapted to hold parts used in a second stage of computer manufacture; and so forth. Alternatively, or in addition, the templates can hold parts gathered/or to be gathered in different phases of parts picking—for example, the first template can have cavities adapted to hold parts gathered in a first stage of picking; a second template can have cavities adapted to hold parts gathered in a second stage of picking; and so forth.

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